

## City Council

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The City of Fairmont has a Council-Manager form of government. The Council shall be the governing authority of the City and shall appoint the City Manager who shall execute the laws and administer the government of the City.

The City is divided into nine voting districts in which districts shall be established by Council by ordinance and changed from time to time to reflect population changes. Therefore, the City of Fairmont has nine (9) Councilmembers.

Only qualified voters of the City shall be eligible to hold the office of Councilmember. Each Councilmember shall, at the time of his or her announcement for office and during the term of office, reside within the district from which they were elected or appointed. The terms of a Councilmember shall be four (4) years and in no event shall any Councilmember serve more than two (2) consecutive full four-year terms.

The Council shall elect, at the first meeting of a new Council, one of its members to serve as Mayor. The Mayor shall preside at all meetings of the Council, shall be recognized as head of the City government for all ceremonial purposes but shall have no administrative duties.

City Council meetings are held at 7:00 PM on the second and fourth Tuesday of each month in the Council Chambers of the Public Safety Building located at 500 Quincy Street. For questions regarding City Councilmembers and/or meetings, please contact City Clerk Janet Keller at (304) 366-6211, ext. 329.

Robert Gribben

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District 1

Term: 2011 - 2014

Born (1939) raised in Wheeling - Wheeling Jesuit University (1961) - WVU, Master's in Social Work (1963): early professional work in Charleston, Philadelphia, Morgantown (child welfare and mental health): career/retirement as Correctional Administrator 1968 to 1995 (FCI Morgantown): Marion County Chamber of Commerce (1997-98): Farimont Community Development Partnership (1998-present), presently serving as Executive Director.

Robert Gribben currently serves as a member of the Fairmont Urban Renewal Authority and was privileged to have served on the Fairmont's Planning Commission and Board of Zoning Appeals. He recently assisted with reinvigorating Operation Image and has long term commitments with 612 MAC, Fairmont Main Street, Democratic Men's Club, the Rotary Club, and Hope Inc.

Family - Wife, Karen Gribben; Sons, George & Joe Gribben

Church - Immaculate Conception - Hospitality Ministry, Church Council

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Travis Blosser

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District 2

Term: 2013-2016

Travis was born and raised in Fairmont, WV. He is a graduate of East Fairmont High School and a current student at Pierpont Community & Technical College studying Accounting. He works in the municipal sector as the Assistant City Manager for the City of Shinnston, WV. His primary focus is working to help Fairmont grow and develop and become a better place to work, live and do business.

Travis also serves on the following Boards and Commissions:

WV Three Rivers Festival

Fairmont Parks Commission

Marion County Convention & Visitors Bureau

Marion County Armory Custodial Board

Marion County Boys & Girls Club

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Deborah Seifrit

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District 3

Term: 2011 - 2014

Deborah was born and raised in Fairmont, West Virginia. While growing up she attended local Marion County Schools and as a young adult, she graduated from Fairmont State College. She has been employed in the Health Care Field for over thirty years and is a sports enthusiast.

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William (Bill) Burdick

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District 4

Term: 2013 - 2016

Bill was elected to a two year term as Mayor in January 2011. He and wife Marjorie have been married for 26 years. They belong to Highland Ave. United Methodist Church. Bill is a member of the Marion County Chamber of Commerce. He is on the Board of Directors for Main Street Fairmont, Fairmont Community Partnership, Region VI Workforce WV, and the Municipal League of WV. Bill enjoys running, so you may see him all over Fairmont putting in the miles.

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Can be found on facebook.com at William Burdick

Chuck Warner

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District 5

Term: 2011 - 2014

Chuck was a former radio announcer. He is currently a professional photographer and studio owner. He is married to Fran Warner, who was a former Fairmont City Council member.

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Daniel Weber

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District 6

Term: 2013 - 2016

Daniel Weber currently serves on the Marion County Senior Citizens Board and the Fairmont Parks Commission.

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Robert Garcia

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District 7

Term: 2013 - 2016

Robert Garcia was born in Fairmont and grew up in the Bellview area. He currently resides in the South Park area of Fairmont, near Fairmont Senior High School, with his wife of 18 years and two children. He has worked for Allegheny Energy for over 20 years.



Prior to serving on City Council, he served on the Board of Zoning Appeals and Marion County Parks and Recreation Commission. As a Council Member, he currently serves on the Planning and Zoning Commission and continues to serve on the Marion County Parks and Recreation Commission. He believes that the people of Fairmont are our greatest resource and that we should draw from resources within our communities to improve Fairmont and cause our City to prosper.

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Robin Smith

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District 8

Term: 2011 - 2014

Robin is currently a Chiropractic Physician with a local business located in Fairmont, WV and has been in business since 1966. He is married to Tomma and has two children, Chris and Mollie.

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Ron J. (Ron) Straight

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District 9

Term: 2011 - 2014

Ron is employed as an Underground Safety Coordinator for Strata Mining Services. Prior to this term, he has served 16 years on City Council

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